# …NRP Video Segment 4: Using the Help pages - Text Transcript 2002-2006

Welcome to the National Regional Profile screen show.

This segment, the fourth in our series, will demonstrate the improved help functionality in the National Regional Profile as well as provide information about how to investigate the range of data series that are available.

Data Availability

On the National Regional Profile Welcome Page the Data Availability pages can be accessed either from the main link in the body of the Welcome Page or from the links in the left menu bar.

You have three ways of searching for data in the National Regional Profile: An A to Z listing of data items, an alphabetic listing of data series by topic, and a listing of data series available for all States and Territories as well as a list of additional data for selected States.

For each of the data series there is a separate page with detailed information about the series.

Let's look at an example of the format of the data availability page by choosing the 'Births' page from the A to Z listing.

Firstly there is a list of the data items available for the series.

In our example the only two data items are the 'Number of Births' and the 'Total Fertility Rate.'

There are links to the explanatory notes and the glossary pages should you require further explanation about the data items.

The next section lists the years that the data items are available for.

While this edition of the National Regional Profile presents data for 2002 to 2006, and the births data is available for each of these five years, it is important to note that not all series have data for the whole five years. A good example of this is the census data which is only available for 2006.

The availability by region section lists each of the region types that the particular data series is available for. Births data is available for each of the region types presented in the National Regional Profile from Statistical Local Area to Local Government Area and all higher levels to State/Territory and Australia.

The 'find this in the NRP' section indicates where to find the data items in the product. For our example series, 'Births', the two data items are available in the summary web pages, the excel spreadsheets and in the data cubes. Given that for some of the data series there is additional data in the excel spreadsheets and data cubes that isn't included in the summary web pages, this section is important for the user in identifying where they need to go to locate their specific data item of interest.

There are also links from the data availability pages to the 'select a region' options but only to those options that are relevant to the data series. In our births example the data items are available in the summary web pages and the excel spreadsheets and the data is available for Local Government Areas and the other region types in the main standard geographic classification so both 'select a region' options are available.

And finally there is a link from the data availability pages to the full listing of Supertable data cubes for the product if the user wishes to compare data across regions.

Help Pages

All of the help pages for the National Regional Profile are available from the left menu bar.

'How to select a region' describes the steps required to find a region via the map and name navigation. It also contains some useful tips about the zoom and roll-over functionality of the maps.

'How to compare regions' provides all the information needed to access and select the appropriate

SuperTABLE data cube.

There is a link to the 'About the regions in the NRP' page on both the main body of the Welcome Page and in the left menu bar. This page describes the types of regions that data is provided for in the National Regional Profile and the hierarchical relationship between them.

'Frequently asked questions' needs no explanation. It is comprehensive and should be referred to as a useful resource for users. If you have a question when you're viewing the product then there's a good chance it's already been answered here.

'Viewing requirements' provides information about what software requirements there are to access maps, spreadsheets and data cubes.

The final link on the page takes you to this screen show.

We want your feedback

Lastly with all the changes we've made to this edition of the National Regional Profile, we are looking for your feedback on the product.

Select the final menu option from the left menu bar and click on the link to complete the feedback form.

That brings us to the end of this segment of the National Regional Profile screen show.

Please view the additional 3 segments in this series for detailed information on: The new welcome Page, How to access data for a region, and How to compare data across a number of regions with SuperTABLE data cubes.

If you have any questions that haven't been answered by the screen show or the help pages provided in the product please contact us via email at regional.statistics@abs.gov.au.

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